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Letters

Media's Selective Omissions

Too bad that by selective omission the local media does not truthfully inform this area's residents.

As the co-chair of Save Our Air Resources (S.O.A.R.), I presented a petition to the Fort Ord Restoration Advisory Board (FORA) July 22, 1999, that had 707 signatures of residents who object to Fort Ord Ordinance Clearance - Open Detonation and Prescribed Burn Program.

That part was omitted from the newscasts about the July 21st Fire that got "out of control" or was not under control just as the previous five burns.

The reality is - the Army, Government & Medias deal in the casualties, head counts, statistics and body bags and before they will react or protect, they 'need a victim' - as one of their own stated to a S.O.A.R. member.

That is no more comforting than the downplay that has been the history of health problems from Agent Orange, Love Canal, and the Gulf War Syndrome. All of thee would not hurt anyone - or so we were told - but fact and truth took years to be reported or admitted.

Is that what we want for this beautiful area? Protect your health, environment and community. Get informed, educated and involved. Tune KNRV 1240 AM, Thursdays 7 to 8pm or call Save Our Air Resources at (831) 484-2834, to get or sign a petition.

Linda Millerick
Save Our Air Resources
Salinas

The Ruin of Rural Paradise

Today Chris, Comet (our dog), and I went to the library to get a copy of Treasure Island and headed out to Point Lobos to get the feel of the place where it was written. We hoped to find Skull Island and other landmarks as described in the book.

Ten years ago, we went there and asked if they had a map of Treasure Island as described in the book and they thought it was a good idea. (They still have no such map.)

We got past the signs stating, "no everything", and were told by a very nice girl at the entrance that no dogs were allowed, but we could park on the highway, leave the dog in the van and walk in. This works in the Village for Chris and her wheelchair, but is impractical and downright dangerous on Highway One, so we went on down the road to Rocky Point.

It was a beautiful day to sit outside at Rocky Point, so we enjoyed a pictur-

esque view of the shore, ocean and a horizon that looked like you could fall off of the earth. The bartender came out and said hi to Chris and reminded her that she had done a story about Chris and Rippling River back when she was a reporter for the Monterey paper.

It was a fine day at the coast, but we did have to get back to the Village, so we loaded up and headed for home. (Did I mention that I wrote a letter a few years ago about stoplights being the end of country comfort?) Well, lo and behold "they" were putting in a stoplight at Rancho San Carlos and Carmel Valley Road.

There are better solutions than the "city-fication" of a beautiful rural paradise...

Dredge the dams we have at a fraction of the cost of a new one Saving ten minutes of commute time is not worth ruining Hatton Canyon No music in the park, (oh wait, the music in the park is already being phased out), no freedom to roam aimlessly around the Village unless you are on a Disneyesque Wine tasting tour....

Oh what the hell, it's better than anywhere else on earth, isn't it?

Phil Michaels
Carmel Valley

News Briefs

Pebble Beach Sale Final

The sale of Pebble Beach Company to a group of investors led by Clint Eastwood, Richard Ferris, Arnold Palmer, and Peter Ueberroth was finalized July 30 at a price of \$820 million. The investor group also includes a number of other friends and supporters of Pebble Beach Company.

The new investor group acquired Pebble Beach Company from the Lone Cypress Company, a subsidiary of Taiheiyo Club, Inc. a Japanese golf resort company that acquired Pebble Beach in March 1992. Taiheiyo Club, Inc., has acquired a minority equity position in the new ownership company, Bank of America Securities LLC is the sole arranger of financing.

The new ownership group will retain the name Lone Cypress Company and has named Bill Perocchi as its Chief Executive Officer. Perocchi was the former Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Doubletree Hotels and Promus Hotels. Lone Cypress Company will be comprised of a six-member board of directors to include co-chairmen Dick Ferris and Peter Ueberroth, Clint Eastwood, Arnold Palmer, Bill Perocchi and John Myers, Presidents of GE Investments.

John Chadwell remains the President and Chief Operating Officer of Pebble Beach Company. Chadwell has been

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10 AM: Best Doggie Contest - Park Pool

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Valley Welcomes New Theater

By Eve Britton

Lively clapping, cheers and full houses enthusiastically welcomed theater in the form of the new Magic Circle Center to Carmel Valley this past weekend.

The theater, located at 8 El Caminito in the village, is presenting "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" on weekends through August 29.

Just about everything in the theater is new - from the lightboard to the seats. Actually, the seats were made in the 1920s. The theater's owner, Elsa Con, had them refurbished at a theater shop in Los Angeles. They are made with red velvety material, have hat racks underneath and real wood armrests. They are also comfortable, even after two hours of sitting. The theater holds 60 seats. It smells nicely of new carpet.

At Sunday's official grand opening, Con asked the audience to stand in a circle with hands joined around a large bell on the lawn in front of the theater.

"This is an exciting weekend for us," she said. "We are holding hands because this project is very much about joining together."

Con hit the bell softly. The only thing that could be heard was the vibrating tones of the bell and the soft breeze rustling the bushes and wind chimes, as Con asked the audience to show reverence for the project by observing a moment of silence in honor of the theater's opening.

The facility will also be used to bring young people into the theater world with classes for kids and plays geared just for them. Con said she would like to bring live music, such as classical music concerts, into the theater on Sundays.

Sheri Beck and Joele Swift will be handling the children's programming. Swift currently works in drama at Tularcitos School.

The theater's owner, Elsa Con previously ran the Magic Circle Theater in Carmel from 1993 until recently when she decided to strike out on

labor and a head full of worries, Con has also invested \$75,000 of her own money (from a personal loan) into the project.

It's a bit scary, she reluctantly admitted, but she has high hopes for its success.

"We're a little concerned about financial support," Con said. "But I'm very confident about this setup. We don't have anything like it here. We don't have any live theater and there's a real need for it."

The audience agreed. "It couldn't have been better," beamed Big Sur resident Joy Bartlett, who watched Sunday's show with her husband.

"They sent a flyer and I enjoyed the play and book and wanted to see how they did it," said Jack West of Jamesburg. "I would come again."

The actors in Sunday's performance also had rave reviews about the facilities.

"I think it has a great sound system and the backstage is wonderful. So far I haven't found too many bugs," said Yvonne Arias of Salinas who plays Candi Starr in the play.

"It's nice that Carmel Valley has this theater, it's a great family," said Johnny Davis of Santa Cruz who played Billy Bibbitt. "I've never been to Carmel Valley before. I thought everything in Monterey was foggy."

The actors also liked that the space between the stage and the audience is unusually tiny.

"This has been my life's dream. I've been wanting to do it since I was 18."
Elsa Con



her own by founding the Magic Circle Center.

"This has been my life's dream. I've been wanting to do it since I was 18," said Con. "I live here. I have a strong connection with the village and I wanted to give something back. We have huge community support."

In addition to community support, lots of

Sunday's show, Peter Reynolds, who played R.P. McMurphy, the show's lead, addressed the audience.

"This is more than the opening of a play," he said, handing Con a bouquet of roses. "This is the opening of a new village."

"I think it's good for intimacy to have the actors so close to the audience," Davis said.

Another plus is the theater's idyllic site in a former antique shop near the heart of the village.

"Look at that, you don't get that in New York," said Sara Hawkins of Jamesburg, pointing to the green, rolling hills that overlook the theater. "It's a beautiful location."

After

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest

Strong Opening Weekend at Magic Circle Center

By Eve Britton

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest reaches new heights in its rendition at the Magic Circle Center in Carmel Valley.

The actors in this production seem to have melded strongly with their characters - so much so that it is easy to forget they are actually real men and women who are loose on the streets in real life.

It is easy to care about these characters who have no idea how to live in the outside world. Most of them are in the ward voluntarily. One has had a lobotomy and then there is the chief who is believed to be deaf and unable to speak. The others have problems ranging from a severe stutter and insecurity to vivid hallucinations. Each character in this production is very well defined and there is no problem remembering who is who.

The set is just as it should be - sparse. It was designed by Elsa Con and Fred Nielson. Only the bare essentials are on stage, a table, a few chairs and nurses' station where medications and heartless discipline are dispensed. The open stage gives the actors plenty of room to move around and play their characters freely without worrying about tripping over something and without distracting from their performances. The gray walls are the perfect color for the inside of the psych ward.

The sound system is equally wonderful. Not a line is missed and no straining to hear is necessary. Also, every seat has a good view - with no posts in the way.

The play, written by Dale Wasserman and adapted from the 1962 novel by Ken Kesey, is a fast-paced, gripping, dark-humored look inside a day room on a psychiatric ward. The story revolves around Randall Patrick McMurphy who enters the psych ward as a way to get out of toiling away the five months left on his prison sentence in the work camp. He thinks he will only be in for a few months but finds out that he could be in for a lifetime.

Peter Reynolds, who plays McMurphy, looks eerily like Jack Nicholson who played the part in the 1975 movie version of Cuckoo's Nest. Reynolds' performance is clean, well rehearsed and convincing. He shows a cockiness and saunter that is perfect for the character, who has a love of gambling and a way of continually winning.

Wonderful performances are also turned in by Michael Robbins as the always flustered Dale Harding; Johnny Davis, as the innocent, stuttering Billy Bibbitt; John Rebsteck as the hallucinating Martini; Thomas Duckett as the tough Aide Williams; and Avondina Wills as the powerful yet meek Chief Bromden.

Davis' stuttering is so real, it's hard to believe he doesn't stutter in real life and Wills' stoic, far away look so convincing it seems odd to see him smiling after the show.

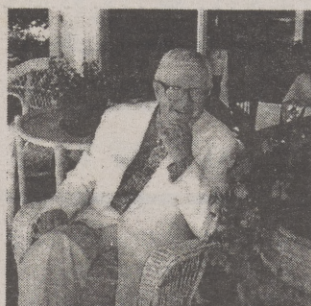
Unfortunately, Susan Forrest, who plays Nurse Ratched, does not fare as well. Her performance is stiff and flat. She does not bring much life to what could be a very strong character. The woman who plays her aide, Nurse Flinn (Jennifer C. Axtell), does not have a very big part and that is a good thing because she too has a problem with stiffness and seems to recite her lines by rote. At one point she is supposed to be surprised by a patient coming up on her, but she screams before she turns around to see the patient.

Despite a shortcoming or two, overall, Magic Circle Center's production of One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest was very good and I definitely recommend it.

The play is directed by Elsa Con.

The show runs Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through August 29. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and students. Magic Circle Center is located at 8 El Caminito in Carmel Valley Village.





Joe FITZPATRICK

A Lousy Place to Raise Kids? You Betcha! Spread the Word!

SOMETHING called the Children's Rights Council in Washington, D.C., has determined in a study that California, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada, among others, are crummy places to raise children.

The best places, it says, are the New England states.

FOR purposes of discussion, we will assume that the Children's Rights Council (CRC) is not COMPOSED of children. And that it is not something that Dr. Laura Schlessinger made up.

In other words, we'll assume it is a legitimate organization consisting of post-puberty adults who are not peddling coffee mugs, T-shirts, and self-serving newsletters on the side.

CRC used 10 indicators — including child death rates, juvenile arrests, rate of juvenile poverty, percentage of births to teenagers, etc. — to formulate its rankings.

For the record, Nevada was ranked 44th in the nation, California 46th, Arizona 47th, and New Mexico 49th. (The only two ranked lower than that were Louisiana 50th and Washington, D.C. 51st.)

MAINE was ranked No. 1, Massachusetts 2, Connecticut 3, Vermont 4, and New Hampshire 5. (What about Rhode Island, the other New England state? It was 12th.)

Obviously, **WEATHER** was not one of the criteria they used to determine the best places to raise children. Did you ever spend a winter in Maine? Or North Dakota, which they ranked 6th? Or Minnesota, 11th? Or Alaska, 14th?

AND how about the oppressive heat and humidity which characterize summers and kills people each year in many of the eastern, midwestern, and southern states?

No, these things don't matter in raising children because, see, children don't **FEEL** cold or heat. Whether it's 40 degrees below zero in Minnesota, or 98 degrees with 98 percent relative humidity in eastern seaboard states, or 75 degrees and low humidity in Carmel Valley, Calif., it's all the same to children. They're totally unaffected by any of it.

AND whether such weather extremes drive their parents stark raving mad or simply terribly surly, it doesn't affect the upbringing of children at all. The little nippers develop and prosper just as well under disturbed, surly parents as under happy, well-adjusted parents.

At least, that's apparently what the CRC members believe. (You absolutely sure Dr. Laura has nothing to do with this outfit?)

JUST so you'll remember, the 10 worst places in the country to raise children are,

in descending order (the higher the number, the worse the place):

Mississippi 42, Arkansas 43, Nevada 44, Oklahoma 45, California 46, Arizona 47, Texas 48, New Mexico 49, Louisiana 50, and Washington D.C. 51.

Many child services officials in California, Arizona, Texas and other low-rated states are assailing the study for failing to include other factors as quality of education, jobs availability, etc., in coming up with the ratings.

But I say let us count our blessings. Let us stand tall, straight of back, square of shoulders, granite of jaw, and take this news like the mature, fair men and women that we are.

FOR remember, when word of this study gets around, it just may discourage a few hundred (thousands?) more people from moving to California!

Spread the word!

TODAY'S QUOTE...Dan Marcus of Claremont:

"Funny how the old 'work ethic' is piously trotted out whenever we want to cut welfare but is conveniently overlooked when we cut capital gains taxes."

NOW THENThat humongous proposal to put 517 **STORAGE LOCKERS** and acres of concrete for uncovered parking of huge vehicles of every description on 4.8 acres at Mid-Valley will be taken up by the County Planning Commission next Wednesday, August 11 (about 11 a.m.) in Salinas.

It is to be hoped that a qualified member of the Planning Department staff will show up this time.

LAST time this came before the Commission, nobody from the planning department **STAFF** deigned to show up to answer, in a completely unbiased way, questions about the project raised by Commissioners and members of the public.

So who took over to field such questions? Why, the **DEVELOPER'S ATTORNEY**, who else?

WHAT in the Sam Hill is going on in that Planning Department? Shouldn't the Grand Jury be taking a look in there?

And as for the project, itself, shouldn't a thorough, honest Environmental Impact Report (EIR) be required on a monstrous development of that size before it moves an inch further through the governmental approval process?

OR is this to be another gigantic development stuffed down the Carmel Valley throat?

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WHAT WILL PREVAIL, TREES OR CONCRETE? ...At that same meeting (apparently following the Mid-Valley matter, but check it), the Planning Commission will take up consideration of the Carmel Valley Master Plan.

Will the plan be relaxed to allow more and more huge developments? Or will it be tightened to protect the valley's fragile country atmosphere a little better?

RESIDENTS may want to express themselves on this matter, too. You can be sure that the insatiable big developers and their clever mouthpieces will be there in full thunder, proudly bearing the bulldozer and concrete flags on high!

You have to understand that the game is now on! And the future of the valley now and for the next century is now on the line.

GOT TO HURRY NOW ... Carmel Valley Village's growing collection of outstanding restaurants is about to get even better!

And we're not even talking about the posh new **Bernardus Inn** (which could open this month), nor the totally remodeled and enlarged **Robles Del Rio Lodge** (with its Ridge Restaurant), which will debut a little later.

NO, we're talking about a re-birth of the exceptional **Taste Cafe** which held forth to rave reviews near the top of Forest Avenue in Pacific Grove until fairly recently.

Owners of that estimable gastronomic palace have reportedly bought the Village Pizzeria on Delfino Place (near Pilot Road), and will turn it into a fine restaurant for both lunch and dinner.

IT will be just down the street in the same block as the superb **Sole Mio** restaurant and the lively, colorful **Plaza Linda** Mexican eatery. (Not to mention **Bon Appetit** there, too.)

We're not sure what it will be called (Taste II? Impeccable Taste? Taste This?), but we're confident it will be a worthy successor to good old Taste!

BUT gosh, does this mean the end of an era? I mean, what will happen to the young entrepreneurial group that often collects out in front of that building for fellowship, a smoke or two, and maybe to engage in a little commerce to help out the gross national product?

For them, this must be a revolting development, indeed!

PLAY the dirge, Elizabeth.



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Address	Bed	Bath	City	Sq.Ft.	Close	Sale Price
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26273 Ocean View Ave	3	2	Carmel	1,171	07/28/99	\$965,000
SE CNR Carpenter	4	2	Carmel	1,560	07/28/99	\$579,000
25865 Mesa Drive	3	3	Carmel	2,600	07/28/99	\$525,000
26177 Ladera Drive	3	3.5	Carmel	2,765	07/28/99	\$1,800,000
2680 15 th Ave	2	2	Carmel	1,300	07/30/99	\$595,000
3 SE Casanova/8 th	3	3	Carmel	1,170	07/30/99	\$713,000
2NW Monte Verde/7 th	2	2	Carmel	1,301	07/30/99	\$1,030,000
2NW Camino Real/12 th	3	2.5	Carmel	2,000	07/30/99	\$1,895,000
24801 Handley Drive	3	2	Carmel	1,700	07/30/99	\$440,000
2 NE San Carlos/12 th	1	1	Carmel	629	07/30/99	\$375,000
101 Village Lane	3	4+	Carmel Valley	5,000	07/30/99	\$1,250,000
7 Abinante Way	2	2	Monterey	1,750	07/26/99	\$485,000
49 Castro Rd	3	2.5	Monterey	2,684	07/27/99	\$750,000
820 Newton Street	2	1	Monterey	880	07/30/99	\$299,000
31 Sierra Vista Drive	4	2	Monterey	2,500	07/30/99	\$539,000
116 Seafoam Ave	3	2	Monterey	1,802	07/30/99	\$465,000
1021 Ocean Road	3	2	Pebble Beach	1,685	07/28/99	\$595,000
4045 Mora Lane	3	2.5	Pebble Beach	1,850	07/30/99	\$595,000
3211 Palmero Way	6+	4+	Pebble Beach	5,000	07/30/99	\$2,850,000
4098 Sunridge Drive	5	3.5	Pebble Beach	3,500	07/30/99	\$725,000
216 2 nd Street	2	2	Pacific Grove	1,420	07/27/99	\$390,000

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20160 Anza Drive	5	2.5	Sal./Mty Hwy	3,360	07/27/99	\$450,000
24725 Avenida Principal	3	3	Sal./Mty Hwy	2,390	07/28/99	\$498,000
11 Paseo De Vaqueros	4	3	Sal./Mty Hwy	2,600	07/28/99	\$380,000
22615 Oak Canyon Road	3	2	Sal./Mty Hwy	2,300	07/28/99	\$379,000
25988 Colt Lane	3	2.5	Sal./Mty Hwy	3,600	07/30/99	\$815,000
14535 Mountain Quail Rd	4	3	Sal./Mty Hwy	2,700	07/30/99	\$485,000
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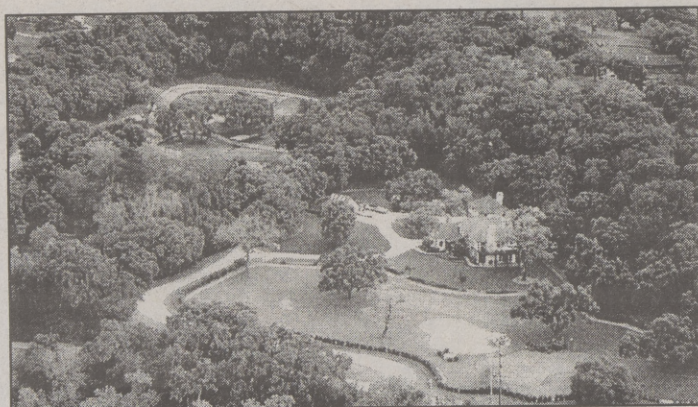
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SPARE CHANGE by Barbra Alexander

It's Useless & You Get to Pay for It

In the never-ending struggle of the Baby Bells to climb the profitability ladder, Pacific Bell has finally made it over the top of the sanity wall. This time reaching a decidedly new low on the socially acceptable service level. Here's the latest in their corporate storybook version of what telephones should do for, and to you.

Last year Pac Bell had a sales mission of getting everyone signed up for their 'Caller ID' service. That's where your phone number flashes on a screen so the person you're calling knows it's you, and not someone trying to sell them a Timeshare in Yuma. Should the caller wish to preserve his privacy, a blocking method was activated at the same time. Guess what, the majority of their customer base applied this blocking, rendering Caller ID useless. Now the problem is that sales were not what they were led to expect by the cerebral masters who

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sold the Bells on this program.

I don't have anything against inventions. After all, if someone hadn't invented ink and made paper you wouldn't be reading this. Quite a practical discovery allowing those of us inclined to ply

our musings to those of you willing to read them.

However, some new gadgets, services, and programs are widely accepted and some are not. But instead of acknowledging that there might be a lack of interest or desire by the public to know the caller's identity in advance, Pacific Bell sees fit to compound error in fiscal projection with feeble-mindedness.

The latest means to shove all of us into the round peg hole is that our phones can now be programmed to refuse to accept blocked number calls. This is called 'Anonymous Caller Rejection' and comes with its own recorded message. Once its installed, the message any caller with a blocked number will hear is as follows: "The party you called does not accept calls from blocked numbers. To complete your call and reveal your number, dial 82 then the number, etc. - To prevent the display of your number, you can use a pay phone or, for a charge, call the operator." The best part is, the Bells tell us, that they will install this service for free to anyone who is signed up for Caller ID, and asks for it. Now isn't that just what you've been waiting for, an entirely new phone frustration? Can you imagine call-

ing home, in an emergency, from a helpful stranger's blocked phone? Now to add insult to an already ridiculous idea, Pacific Bell is advertising Caller ID on Call Waiting. Now that's what I need. I didn't want to who was on line one before I picked up the phone, now I don't want to know who's on two.

Caller ID was sold to us as a safety measure. Frankly, the safety aspect escaped me entirely, how about you? What harm can come to me through the receiver of my telephone? I still know how to hang up, don't you? Unless you're in hiding, of what use is knowing the number of the caller? If you are hiding, you probably don't use the phone anyway because nobody could have the number. Can anyone tell me when our telephones became scary weapons from which we need protection and anonymity?

If fear of unsolicited calls is a problem how about not having a telephone installed; only using a cell phone; installing a pay phone in your home or office; or taking lessons in communication and learning how to tell someone that you don't want to talk to them or how to just hang up.

How do you feel about a phone company bullying you into using an optional service, and I use that term loosely, that nobody asked for? More than one million people currently subscribe to Pacific Bell, but less than three thousand use the Caller ID service. What message are their customers sending?

Currently the only people I don't wish to talk with are telemarketers from Pac Bell trying to sell this ridiculous concept. Perhaps we could take up a collection to install pay phones in the offices of Pacific Bell so that their number won't show up on identification screens. But then they don't publish their numbers anyway. Or maybe we could just let Caller ID go the way of the polyester leisure suit, interesting concept but just like the fabrics we put on our body, we want communication devices that let us breathe freely.

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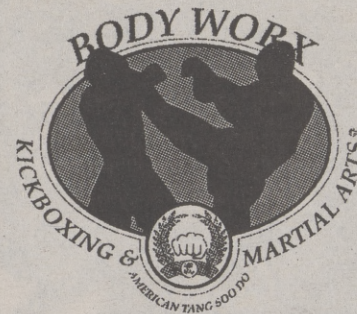
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	Planet Gemini 373-1449	Live comedy - 9pm	Live comedy - 9pm	Live comedy - 9pm	Sonora Tropicana with Grupo Oasis	Closed	Closed	
	Sly McFly's 649-8050	All Star Jazz/Blues Competition with 4 bands	Back to Back	Kathleen Cairns & Tattoo Blue	Joe Lucido in Lucky Do	Ace Hill Trio	Joe Lucido and Lauri Hofer	Jazz Jam with Lee Durley
MONTEREY	Long Bar 372-2244	Amborsia	DJ Dancing	DJ Dancing			Jager Night \$2.75 Jager shots	\$2.00 Domestic Drafts
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	Viva Monterey 646-1415	Filthy Jam	Old Spice Girls	Old Spice Girls	Video Dance 6pm-1am	Randy Baldwin and Friends 9pm-1am	Amanda & Lake	Whirlpool with DJ Ray 9pm
CV	Plaza Linda 659-4229	Storm Nilson & Renzo A. Staiano 6:30-8:30	Juventud Y Experiencia Trio - 6:30-8:30	Casa de Jazz with the "Buddy Jones Trio" 6-9pm		Salsa Flamenco Jam 6:30-8:30	Joe Hernandez with Latin folk music 6:30-8:30	Fermin Rivero Trio - Latin Jazz 6:30-8:30
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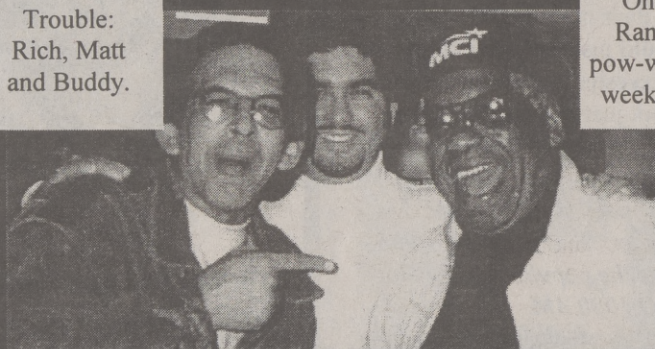
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The Monterey All Star Band Competition is in full swing this week. We've got the rock, blues/jazz and ethnic/acoustic category semi-finals happening this weekend on Cannery Row. If you haven't been following along, the four contestants in each category were selected by radio stations KMBY/CD 93 (rock 'n' roll), KPIG (jazz & blues) and KAZU (ethnic/acoustic). The best two bands from this week's club competitions will go on to compete at the Monterey County Fair for cash, prizes, glory, fame and groupies.

First up in the All Star Competition is blues & jazz at Sly McFly's. Performing in Thursday's first round will be **Blue Nova**, **The Blues Tones**, **The Andrew Nelson Blues Explosion** and **The Costa Blues Band**.

Friday night at BlueFin the rock 'n' roll contestants **Turn**, **Amazon Mollies**, **InBalance** and **Luke's Wall** will compete beginning at 9p.m. BlueFin will also host the acoustic/ethnic category on Sunday beginning at 7p.m. with contest-

his contemporary jazz trumpet will share the stage as will **Everetta Harp** who has played saxophone with President Clinton (we won't hold that against him). Pianist **Bobby Lyle** worked with one of my all-time favorites Sly and the Family Stone - with roots in The Stone is it any wonder he has gone on to become a pre-eminent keyboardist and composer? And there is lots, lots more. For more info and/or tickets call 649-1223. The shindig goes down Friday night at the Monterey Conference Center at 8p.m. Tickets are \$25 general and \$40 preferred.

El Palomar brings live music to their festive eatery this Saturday at 9:30p.m. with psychedelic pop of **Foamscape** and the easy rock of **Big Rain**.

Plaza Linda in Carmel Valley is filling up it's weekly live entertainment adding **Joe Hernandez** with Latin folk music on Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 and a salsa/jazz/flamenco jam on Monday from 6:30-8:30. The Monday gig is comprised of a yet to be named conglomeration of Carmel High School musicians, and Rob Diaz says they're really good. So go heckle the youth over your margarita Monday.

Tonight **Ambrosia** will bring their 70's sound - with all the original members - to the Long Bar. You may remember their light pop hit "How Much I Feel" which is still a hit today on muzak. Seriously though, this should be a great throwback party at Long Bar, the Roger Eddy Band opens - showtime 8p.m.

Vegas DeMilo is back on the Peninsula, hitting Starz this Saturday with **The Old Spice Girls** (that's Tom and Angelina Ayers band). Vegas DeMilo got on the peninsula map with their song *Teenage Pornstar* and have recently released "Before it Gets Old" on Starving Cowboy Records

featuring ballads of slackerdom including *Postcard* and *My Brilliant Career*. Vegas hits the stage at 9pm followed by The Old Spice Girls. Saturday at Starz will feature the fine New Orleans inspired blues stylings of **JD and the Sliders**.

And that's not all - Friday Sly's brings **Back to Back** featuring **Johnny Cosmic** and on Saturday **Kathleen Cairns** and **Tattoo Blue** make their Monterey debut. Kathleen promises a 'get up and dance' variety of blues and R&B.

Don't forget **The Fiesta** in Carmel Valley this weekend. **Strictly Country** will play the Hoopla on Friday and the Street Dance on Saturday and there are 4 more bands that will play Saturday and Sunday in the park. See page 14 for more information.



VegasDeMilo will play at Starz Saturday at 9p.m.

ants **The Unknown Jeromes**, **Matthew Binder** and **Pankind**, **Piper Maru** and **The Gregg Galdo Fusion X**. Each band will play a 30 minute set and audience reaction does count in the scoring - so get out and support your favorite!

Sandy Shore productions brings us some serious heavyweights this Friday in the form of **Nils and The West Coast All Stars**. All stars include **Adwin**, a poet and lyricist currently blending jazz with the beats of funk, hip hop and blues. Judas himself counts himself among the all stars, actually **Carl Anderson** who played Judas in the Broadway and film version of *Jesus Christ Superstar* garnering Golden Globe nominations and a NAACP theater award. **Rick Braun** and

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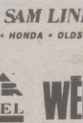
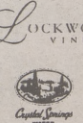
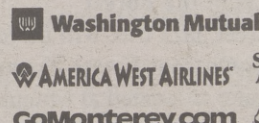
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Friday August 6

HOOPLA!

The Carmel Valley Fiesta kick-off Hoopla bill begin at 6p.m. at the Carmel Valley Trail and Saddle Club. There will be a wild board roast, chicken and tri-tip BBQ, music by Strictly Country and a silent auction. Tickets are \$20 adults, \$10 kids under 12. Limited eating, for reservations call Gary Tate at 659-5381.

Parkfest

Homefire, local bluegrass musicians, will perform at Devendorf Park in Downtown Carmel-By-The-Sea beginning at noon. The concert is free and the park is located at the corner of Ocean and Junipero. There will be free hot dogs for the kids. Call 626-1255 for more information.

Shakespeare Festival

Pacific Repertory Theater opens the annual Carmel Shake-spear Festival with Les Blessings' Fortinbras - the 'metaphysical farce' on modern politics and ethics. Ranked by Time Magazine as one of the 10 best plays of 1991, this version is directed by John Rousseau. Tonight, a half-price preview at the Circle Theater, Cassonova between 8th and 9th at 7:30p.m. Call 622-0100 for tickets

August 6th-8th

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Saturday August 7

Fiesta

Carmel Valley's 10th Annual Fiesta continues with the clown parade at 11a.m. through Carmel Valley Village followed by a day in the park with games, live music, food and Dusty's train ride. The Abalone Stompers play from noon to 2, Dakots from 2:45-4:45. At 8p.m. Strictly Country will play the Street Dance at Del Fino Place. Street dance tickets are \$5, 21 and older only. For more information call the Fiesta info line at 659-2038.

Gallery Performance

The Martin LaBorde Gallery

Performance Series Presents Nihil Communications from San Francisco, a semi-improvisational electroacoustic sound-design project by Andre Custodio and LX Rudis. Donation requested. The Martin LaBorde Gallery is located between Lincoln and Dolores on Sixth Ave in Carmel. Call 620-1150 for more information.

Jazz & Blues Company

Jessica Williams will perform at the Jazz and Blues Company, located at 236 Crossroads Blvd in The Crossroads in Carmel at 7:30p.m. Standard admission is \$25, students under 18 are half price. For reservations call 624-6432.

Blues in Big Sur

Crusin' Deuces will perform at The Fernwood Resort in Big Sur, 26 miles south of Carmel on Highway 1. Music begins at 9p.m., for more information call Fernwood at 667-2422.

Book Signing

Books Inc. will host a book signing from 2-5p.m. with Bob Norris and his new technological thriller Fly Off! Culinary treats will be provided by Carmel Cheese Shop. Books Inc. is located in the Carmel Plaza, for more information call 625-0440.

Hike Garland Park

Meet at the Garland Park Visitor's Center at 9a.m. for this moderate 4 hour hike over some of the more interesting parts of the park. Bring lunch and water. For more information call hike leader Susan Boehlert at 659-7028.

Sunday August 8

Fiesta

Meet at 7:30am for the 10K run and 5K run/walk and/or enjoy the Valley Volunteers' annual pancake breakfast beginning at 8am at the Community Youth Center. At 9am the swimming events begin and at 10am bring your dog or puppy for the Best Doggie Contest. At 11 festivities resume in the park. Homefire will play from noon to 2pm followed by Lori Lynn from 2:45 - 4:45. The big drawing for a trip for 2 to Hawaii will be Sunday at 4p.m. For more information call the Fiesta info line at 659-2038.

Concerts in the Forest

Easy Street, jazz trio, will perform at Carmel's Outdoor Forest Theater at 2pm. The theater is located at Mountain View

at Santa Rita in Carmel.

Lecture on Madagascar

Dr. Eva Sargent will present a lecture entitled "Project Betampond; Zoo Lemurs Return to the Wild" at The Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. The lecture is free and begins at 2p.m. The museum is located at 165 Forest Ave. in Pacific Grove, for more information call 648-3316.

Monday August 9

Films in the Forest

Student short films from New York University's prestigious Maurice Kanbar Institute of Film and Television with a program of award-winning shorts produced by graduate and undergraduate film students. Night 1 of a three-night series. The Forest Theater is located at the corner of Santa Rita and Mountain View near downtown Carmel. Films begin at 8:30 or dusk. Tickets are available at the door, \$5 adults, \$3 children 12 and under. For more information call 626-1681.

Tuesday August 10

Films in the Forest

Student short films from the California Institute of the Arts Experimental Animation department. Night 2 of a three-night series. The Forest Theater is located at the corner of Santa Rita and Mountain View near downtown Carmel. Films begin at 8:30 or dusk. Tickets are available at the door, \$5 adults, \$3 children 12 and under. For more information call 626-1681.

Hike Garland Park

Meet at the Garland Park Visitor's Center at 9a.m. for this moderate 4 hour hike. Bring lunch and water. For more information call hike leader Harry Rockey at 625-7632.

Wednesday August 11

Films in the Forest

Student short films from the University of Southern California and Florida State University. Night 3 of a three-night series. The Forest Theater is located at

the corner of Santa Rita and Mountain View near downtown Carmel. Films begin at 8:30 or dusk. Tickets are available at the door, \$5 adults, \$3 children 12 and under. For more information call 626-1681.

Jazz on the Deck

Every Wednesday the Dennis Murphy Trio performs on the deck at Quail Lodge from 5-7p.m., there is no cover charge and reservations are not required.

Ongoing Events

Through - August 29

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest

Carmel Valley's performing arts



center, The Magic Circle Theater, will premiere "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" on Friday July 30th. On opening weekend, the Friday and Saturday shows will begin at 7:30p.m. with a buffet reception beginning at 6p.m. Sunday's opening weekend show will begin at 4p.m. with a buffet reception and an opportunity to meet the actors to follow the performance. Tickets are \$30 and seating is limited, call 659-1108 for tickets or more information. The show will run through August 29 and after opening weekend, tickets will be \$12 general and \$12 seniors and students with showtimes at 7:30pm Friday and Saturday and at 3pm on Sunday.

Through August 15

The Glass Menagerie

Unicorn Theatre presents Tennessee Williams' The Glass Menagerie at The Hoffman Playhouse at 320 Hoffman at Lighthouse Ave. in Monterey. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 8p.m. and Sundays at 7p.m. General Admission is \$15/ Students and Seniors \$12. For tickets call 649-0259.

Through- August 22

The Mask of Moriarty

The Western Stage presents the Mask of Moriarty Fridays and Saturdays at 8p.m. and Sundays at 2p.m. at The Western Stage Studio at 156 Homestead Ave in Salinas. Tickets are \$15 general and \$13 for students and Seniors. Call 755-6816 for more information or tickets.



ON THE FOOD FRONT with McTavish

The Scotsman Takes A Taste Of Taste Cafe & Bistro

On a warm evening at the beginning of August, I set out with my editor Libby on a death defying hike up the north face of Forest Hill in Pacific Grove. We lost our sherpas to ravenous mountain goats and the oxygen grew thin as the summit loomed just above. I was ready to give up the ghost and surrender to the elements, but fortunately there was plenty of gas in the car, so we rumbled into the Taste parking lot--safe inside Libby's gas guzzling, view blocking, outsized SUV.

Taste Cafe & Bistro has been in its same spot across from Safeway for the

ten years since it was founded by Paulo Kautz and Sylvia Medina. Over that time it has built up a faithful clientele, to the point where 90% of diners are return customers.

Just over three months ago, Taste was taken over by co-owners Jay Dib and Bill Karaki. However, it was not a hostile takeover. Jay and Bill worked with

the founders to make a smooth transition, even securing the old recipes. As former patrons of Taste, the new owners set out to maintain the high standards that had been firmly established. "Why mess with a winning formula," Jay told us. Both owners work in the restaurant, Jay mostly hosting or serving and Bill cooking the food to ensure that the quality is consistent. But enough about history and people, what's really important about any restaurant is the food.

We took a high table near the grill in the back, so we could study the plates held aloft by flanks of energetic servers. Our mood was quickly enlivened by two glasses of a peppery Argentinean cabernet (\$5.50) recommended by our super-server Dino Giannetta. (No relation to Dean Martin, but Dino has won "best in service" two years in a row.) Since Taste is famous for their soups, I requested the day's special: a tomato vegetable soup (\$3.75) with a few crispy croutons. Though I generally prefer the thickness of a cream of tomato soup, this preparation in a chicken stock was outstanding and by no means thin or watery. Libby's Caesar salad (\$4.95), was so good that I even started a bogus argument, so that while she was defending her position I could steal as much of her portion as possible. Yes, any crafty food critic knows that a meal is like a chess game, filled with diversions and sacrifices to achieve a final gastronomic triumph.

For my entree, I selected the beef filet mignon (\$18.50), a moist and tender steak with garlic mashed potatoes. Usually I don't like California cuisine presentations--where the food is all stacked up into a vertical sculpture at the center of the plate, just waiting for an art critic to comment--but the filet mignon was so well prepared, so succulent, that I really couldn't complain. Libby ordered her favorite dish from previous visits, the tortelloni Florentine (\$13.50), a pasta concoction with mushrooms, sun-dried tomatoes, spinach, artichokes, basil and tomatoes in a light garlic cream sauce. You should have seen how fast that meal disappeared! I barely got a bite in edge-wise. When Dino mentioned that he'd gained 15 pounds eating the potatoes au

gratin at Taste, my eyes lit up. The next thing I knew, Libby and I were both sampling a side of the au gratin spuds--which were unquestionably the best of their many potato preparations. Highly recommended.

At 9:30 the bistro was clearing out, as the more mature

diners tend to eat earlier, yet we still tarried. Though my girth was keeping me wedged betwixt chair and table, I had not quite achieved "morbidly obese" status, so we forced ourselves to have a dessert. Co-owner Jay creates the desserts at Taste, and the most requested one is the brioche bread pudding--"It's a house tradition," he told us. Then there is the bittersweet chocolate torte with whipped cream (which we devoured), and a butter-scotch pudding. Yes the torte was excellent, with very little flour and folded egg whites. All in all an excellent meal. In a somewhat unlikely location, where the panoramic views range from a gas station to a supermarket, this popular restaurant makes an extra effort in the food and service department. And that gamble has paid off in a very loyal clientele.

We ambled out into the wet kiss of the Pacific Grove night, peering blindly into the scrim of fog that had coalesced around the summit of Forest Hill. The moist ether permeated our clothing, and for a moment we stood shivering and dazed at that chilly altitude, then quickly descended back to the lowlands.

(Taste is open for dinner during the week from 5 - 9pm, and till 10pm on weekends at 1199 Forest Ave. in Pacific Grove. Because of limited seating and its popularity, reservations are strongly recommended. 655-0324. Cash or checks only.)



Taste Cafe & Bistro co-owners Jay Dib and Bill Karaki.

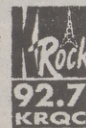
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News Briefs

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with Pebble Beach Company since 1989. The rest of the management team will also remain in place.

"With this transaction, Taiheiyo Club, Inc. has fulfilled its commitment to return the crown jewel of golf in the United States to American hands," stated Mr. Shoichi Okochi, President of the Taiheiyo Club, Inc. "We are very proud to have had the opportunity to be part of the history of Pebble Beach Resorts. We now present these treasures properties to the new ownership group and we are certain that they will treat them with the same respect and care we have. We look forward to a long term relationship with the new ownership group," added Mr. Okochi.

Testing the Waters for Y2K Week

California American Water Company (Cal-Am) demonstrated the Y2K readiness of their Monterey operations on Wednesday, July 28, as part of the Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) "Testing the Waters for Y2K" week. Systems and equipment critical for keeping drinking water safe and flowing to customers' homes and businesses have been tested and were determined to be Y2K ready.

"Today we are looking forward - changing the clocks on our Supervisory

Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system to several dates customers have asked us about to demonstrate Y2K preparedness," said Victor Gurule, Cal-Am Maintenance Service Specialist. "We have completed our Y2K preparedness with our systems and now we want to demonstrate the results to our customers. The results suggest we are on track and prepared for January 2000, but we will continue working on this issue and testing and re-testing equipment until then."

The Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system monitors water production, treatment and distribution facilities and controls the flow of water throughout Cal-Am's system to maintain adequate supply, storage and pressure. It also continuously monitors and accumulates data on water usage and water quality.

Cal-Am utilizes numerous computerized systems and data sensitive devices in operations. Computer systems are integral to the treatment and distribution of high quality, reliable water service. Because many computer systems in use today were designed and developed without regard to the upcoming century change, Cal-Am began analyzing their systems in 1997 in preparation for the Year 2000. Third-party suppliers have also been monitored for Year 2000 compliance.

In the event there is a power disruption or other significant problem related to the Year 2000, Cal-Am is prepared to operate systems manually and with standby power generators.

COPS



July 21

Carmel Valley - A woman reported her family had been receiving harassing phone calls from an unknown caller. The woman believes it may be related to a child custody case she is currently involved in.

Monterey - A man reported his stepson who also owns part of the house he lives in is there with two females doing yard work. All concerned were referred to their respective attorneys.

Carmel - A woman reported that a suspicious subject who frequently hangs around the Mid-Valley Center came into her shop on Monday and Tuesday afternoons and on one occasion made improper suggestions to her.

July 22

Big Sur - Reporting man states that a dog bit him on the left leg near the knee area. The owner of the dog stays in the Coastlands. The injured man was referred to his medical doctor and a copy of the report will be sent to animal control.

Carmel Valley - Reporting person heard a heated verbal dispute on Laurel Drive. When the officer responded, he contacted two kids playing in the front yard pool. The two kids were just horseplaying in the pool and were supervised by their father.

Carmel - A woman reported seeing another

woman jump the back fence of the house across the street from her. The woman was identified as the resident of a neighboring house who had jumped her back fence to retrieve her cat.

Carmel - A man reported his son is being abused during weekend visits with his mother.

Carmel - A man reported that unknown person(s) had forced entry into his room at the Carmel Mission Inn and stolen a green nylon suitcase containing \$1853.00 in clothing.

July 23

Pebble Beach - A 14-year-old female juvenile, who was home alone, reported hearing noises coming from her front yard. No one seen, she thought it was her ex-boyfriend. Area check made, no one found.

Carmel Valley - Two people were arrested after being observed completing a narcotics related transaction in the Village.

Carmel - Reporting man states that, on two occasions this week, another man he knows pulled up beside his car and threatened him and his life.

Carmel - A man reported accidentally taking too many aspirins, which made his chest feel compressed. He refused medical attention, but agreed to admit himself to a hospital for precautionary care.

Carmel Valley - A Carmel Valley man reports vandalism on two of his trailers on Cachagua Road.

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YOUR WORLD & MINE by Araby Colton

Traps

We have at hand a letter, "extremely urgent", from Christine Stevens, Secretary of the SOCIETY FOR ANIMAL PROTECTIVE LEGISLATION.

Christine tells us that on July 14th, by an overwhelming vote of 259 to 166 the House of Representatives passed an amendment to the Interior Appropriations bill to stop the commercial or recreational use of steel jaw traps and strangling snares in the National Wildlife Refuge System. Senator Robert Torricelli (D. NJ) plans to offer the same amendment when the Interior Appropriations bill comes to the Senate floor.

Christine urges, that as soon as we get this letter we contact our Senators, by phone - Senator Boxer, 202-224-3553 - Senator Feinstein, 202-224-3841 - by e-mail at: <http://www.senate.gov/senators/index.cfm>. Or by letter - all Senators Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510.

Urge them to vote "YES" on the Torricelli amendment to the Interior Appropriations bill.

Tell them about the intense pain and long-drawn out suffering caused by the steel jaw traps. (The enclosed leaflet is one incredible horror.) These devices should not be used for commerce or recreation within taxpayer funded - National Wildlife Refuges!

Give your name and address, and ask your Senators to send you a response on this issue.

Says Christine, "Your voice to stop this iniquitous cruelty and support the democratic process is tremendously important. Please urge friends, neighbors, co-workers, relatives and members of your church, temple, or club to follow your humane example."

From Cameron Langford's THE WINTER OF THE FISHER:

"He (the fisher) heard the fox before he saw her. A faint, steady whimpering caught his ears a half mile above the beaver dam. He slowed his pace and edged forward. The fisher saw at once it was the magnificent vixen from east of the lake, but try as he might, he could not make out what she was doing.

She was chewing something, and chewing hard, using the heavy grinding molars in the back of her jaw. And as she chewed, she whimpered in a steady, aching whine that sent a tremor down the fisher's back. Every few minutes she would stop and lay her head flat along the snow. Then she would start to gnaw once more, and the whines would come until, with almost a sob, she would break away and rest again.

The fisher saw her come to a sitting position, her front legs spread out before her. Straining, she threw her body backward, but her front right paw would not lift off the ground. The fisher stared intently, trying to see what held her. Suddenly, she poised herself, then threw her weight back with all the strength she possessed. The fisher heard a brittle sound, and the vixen toppled with a high yelp of pain. She lay gasping in the snow, her eyes rolled back and her shoulders shivering, then came to her feet, and hobbling on three legs, staggered from the clearing, unmindful of the blood that marked her trail.

The fisher padded forward. The snow where she had first lain was fouled with blood, but the fisher had no eyes for it. He was staring instead at a bright, gleaming crescent of metal with a short anchoring chain. And in its jaws, a thing he could not comprehend: the foot of the vixen from the ankle to the toe, drenched with blood and with pale, creamy pieces of tattered tendon and fascia hanging like streamers from the severed bone."

And that's trapping.

WHAT'S NEXT? by Mel Vercos

Cleaning Cow Parts from Trains

I'm not a kid, anymore, so I'm anxious for those 200 miles per hour trains to be put into use, so commuters will be able to get to work in time to avoid being fired, and can get home in time to get some sleep before heading back for another day.

I was driving spikes on railroad tracks, when I was 16. \$2.25 per day. Later, at a much higher salary (43 cents per hour), I worked in a railroad yard, cleaning and lubricating engines.

Cleaning an engine that had hit some farmer's cow, at maybe 60 miles per hour, was no picnic, with pieces of cow stuck to the length of the engine. So, just out of curiosity, I want to see what these 200 miles per hour trains will look like, when coming in for a wash and lube job.

Lettuce could also be a problem. Today's trains, at maybe 60 miles per hour, can make an awful mess of a truckload of lettuce at a crossing where a truck driver naturally assumes that his truck has the right-of-way.

Will trains travelling 200 miles per hour solve our commuter problems? Will we need double sets of tracks, both ways, to avoid mixed signal accidents? And will every crossing have to be mixes of underpasses and overpasses, to avoid lettuce trucks and maybe fuel tanker trucks?

And, isn't it a little bit impractical and overly expensive to try to solve this simple over-population problem with dangerous 200 miles per hour trains, instead of spending some money on education about over-population, that it is possible to have sex without making babies?



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Valley Voices

The Fiesta is Here!

This weekend the 10th Annual Carmel Valley Fiesta goes into full swing beginning with the **Hoopla** on Friday. The Hoopla begins at 6p.m. at the Trail and Saddle Club where the traditional wild board roast will commence with music by **Strictly Country**. Seating is limited, tickets are



Enjoy the magic of Dale in the park **Saturday from 1-4p.m.**

\$20 adults, \$10 kids under 12, for reservations call Gary Tate at 659-5381. Saturday begins with the **clown parade** at 11am down Carmel Valley Road in the Village. Get there early and/or dress up and join in. The festivities continue in the park with Dixie music with **The Abalone Stompers** from noon to 2p.m., the swinging country tunes of **Dakota** from 2:45-4:45 and games, food, Dusty's train ride, and arts & crafts in the park. At 8p.m. **THE STREET DANCE** begins outside at Del Fino with music by **Strictly Country**.

Sunday begins with the **10K run 5K run/walk** at 8a.m. and the **pancake breakfast** at the Community Center beginning at 8a.m. The **swimming events** begin at the pool at 9a.m. and the popular **DOG AND PUPPY SHOW**



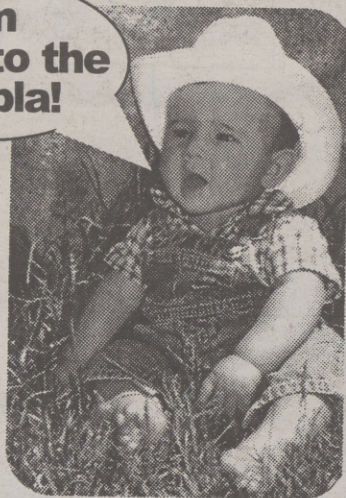
Lori Lynn will play in the park **Sunday from 2:45-4:45.**

begins at 10a.m. in the park. Music, magic, games, food and more will continue in the park throughout the day with the bluegrass tunes of **Homefire** from noon to 2p.m. and country by **Lori Lynn** from 2:45-4:45. The big raffle grand prize - a trip for 2 to Hawaii - will be drawn at 4p.m.

We'll see you there - for more information call 659-2038.

Where are you goin' Noah?

I'm going to the Hoopla!



Carmel Valley Rebels Capture Third Place in San Luis Obispo

By Dan Hightower

The Rebels, a 14 & under girls fastpitch softball team from Carmel Valley, traveled to San Luis Obispo and surprised several traveling teams from throughout the state in winning the third place trophy in the San Luis Obispo Softball Tournament. Eleven teams participated in the tournament and the Rebels' only losses came at the hands of the eventual

finalists.

Solid pitching, a stingy defense and lively bats combined to make the local recreation softball team very competitive against the all-star and traveling teams at the tournament. Ashley Hightower pitched in all five Rebels' games and led the team with a .650 batting average.

Lacey Armstrong, who exhibited clutch hitting throughout the tournament, hit a homerun and triple in the first game against the San Ramon Stompers. The Rebels won 8-1 behind the two-hit pitching of Ashley Hightower. The top of the batting order with Katie Keeley (3 for 4 with a double), Tyler Moran (2 for 4) and



First row (left to right): Nicole Setliff, Jasmine Wibbens, Beth Hylle, Ashley Hightower Second row: Coach Keith Yuen, Lacey Armstrong, Katie Keeley, Jovanna Rosen, Brittany Downing, Coach Frank Gin. Third row: Manager Dan Hightower, Stephanie Yuen, Tyler Moran, Evynn LeValley, Chrissy Moroni, Jessica Hightower, Cassie Bettencourt, Coach Al Bettencourt.

Ashley Hightower (2 for 4) spearheaded the potent Rebel offense.

The second game with the Atascadero Crush ended in a tie, 4-4. Offensive standouts included Tyler Moran, Ashley Hightower, Lacey Armstrong, Jovanna Rosen and Stephanie Yuen. Evynn LeValley entered the game for defensive purposes, and helped to check the potent Crush hitting attack.

The Rebels faced the powerful San Jose Quicksilver in the third game of the day. Despite great defense provided by Beth Hylle and Jasmine Wibbens, the Quicksilver mounted one explosive 5 run inning, and coasted to a 6-2 victory.

The following day, the Rebels beat another San Jose team, the Twisters, 6-3. Ashley Hightower provided strong pitching, tossing a two-hit shutout until relieved by Jasmine Wibbens, who secured the save. Chrissy Moroni scored what proved to be the winning run after a solid single. Cassie Bettencourt contributed a pinch-hit single and Jessica

Hightower proved to be a terror on the basepaths, stealing two bases and scoring on a passed ball. Nicole Setliff drew a walk in starting the decisive rally.

In the semi-final game, the Paso Robles All-Stars defeated the Rebels 9-5 by putting together two rallies. The Rebels jumped out to an early 2-0 lead as their bats came alive once again. Tyler Moran was a stellar leadoff hitter, going 3 for 3 and stealing two bases. Lacey Armstrong continued her clutch hitting, driving in her fifth and sixth runs for the tournament. Brittany Downing drove the ball hard and made an outstanding catch in the outfield. Ashley Hightower helped her pitching performance by going 2 for 3, raising her team-leading batting average. Christina Hogans was unable to play due to illness, but provided inspiration during the grueling tournament. The team earned the third place trophy based on the fewest runs allowed, head-to-head competition and overall runs scored.

COPS from page 12

Monterey - An 81-year-old man wanted to report a found bicycle in the bushes of Fisherman's Flats area off Josselyn Canyon Road. The bicycle was a red 10 speed in good condition.

Carmel Valley - A woman reported losing a piece of her English Horn back in 1997.

Carmel Valley - A woman reports a man harassed her and sliced open the cardboard window of her trailer at Princes Camp.

Carmel - A 60-year-old woman was caught stealing several items from Albertson's Foods by store employees. She was cited and released.

July 24

Pebble Beach - A woman reported that her stepmother's gardener was harassing her stepmother for money for a job he was not authorized to do.

Carmel - An anonymous resident reported hearing an argument between two people in a motorhome. The subjects were contacted and agreed to keep their voices down.

Carmel Valley - Anonymous reporting person reported hearing an argument

between two people at Carmel River Campgrounds on Schulte. A woman from Arizona was contacted. The argument was about her boyfriend's affairs with other women. She requested to be taken to Monterey, so she could make travel arrangements back to Phoenix.

July 26

Carmel Valley - Money found in the park was turned over to Garland Park management. They will hold the money to see if the owner calls to claim it.

Carmel Valley - A man called to report two lawn chairs and 4 gallons of gasoline had been stolen from him.

July 27

Carmel Valley - A woman reported that someone vandalized her water well on CV Road sometime in the last year.

Carmel Valley - Unknown person stole approximately 41 snapdragon flowers from the entrance of Chateau Julien. This has taken place five times before over the last month.

Monterey - A woman requested assistance for her husband who was "acting out of character." The man was taken to CHOMP for examination.

Pebble Beach - A man reported a handgun stolen from his home last week.

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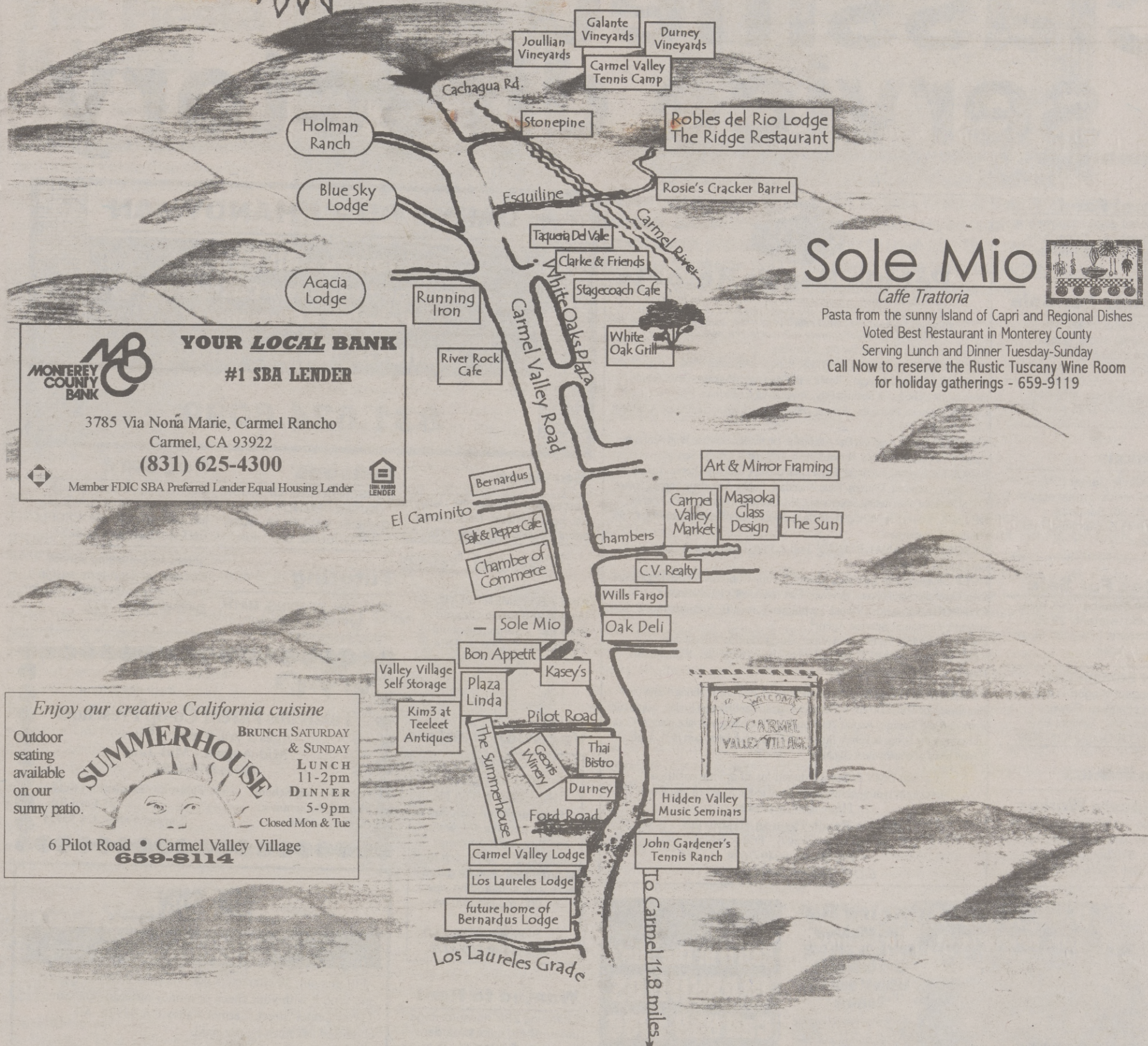
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